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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents

Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Prior to the first Official Action and calculation of the filing fee, please replace page 3, as originally filed with pages 3 and 3a as filed in the Article 34 amendment of 17 December 1999.

Please substitute Claims 1-6 as originally filed, which appear on pages 11 and 12, with Claims 1-5 also filed in the Article 34 amendment of 17 December 1999. The substitute specification pages and the pages containing Claims 1-5 are marked "AMENDED SHEET" and are attached hereto. Following the insertion of Claims 1-5, please amend these claims as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Claim 2, lines 1 and 2, change "one of the preceding claims," to --claim/1,--.

Claim 5, lines 1 and 2, change "one of the preceding claims," to --claim 1--.